

Birdville Center of Technology and Advanced Learning
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To Whom It May Concern:

I met Maggie Ward as a student at the Birdville Center of Technology and Advanced Learning during the 2010 – 11 school year. Maggie has been enrolled in the two internship courses I teach in the Education and Training strand. As the daughter of two teachers, it is not surprising that she plans a future in education. Maggie has interned three days a week in a fourth grade classroom at W. A. Porter Elementary last year and has switched her focus to English/Language Arts in a seventh grade classroom at Smithfield Middle.

Maggie has been a member of the Texas Association of Future Educators, Family Career and Community Leaders of America, and Future Educators of America. This year Maggie participated in TAFE at the region and state level. At the TAFE region conference, Maggie took the Education Leadership Fundamentals test. She served as a scrapbook contest judge and a workshop presenter at the State Teach Tomorrow Summit. Maggie was inducted into the National Technical Honor Society, Career and Technical Education's most prestigious honor. Her high GPA has earned her membership in National Honor Society. She is also a member of BHS Student Council. Maggie is also an avid basketball player. Her leadership has emerged on the court as she has served as a team captain this year. In addition to playing varsity basketball at Birdville High School, she has played club ball on team Texas Express. She has participated in the BHS volleyball program during her freshman and sophomore years. She is a member of Link Crew (freshmen guide) and Rawkin' Hawks, the BHS spirit leaders. Maggie's work history includes volunteer activities for her church, babysitting, and working at a local family fun center.

Maggie has many good qualities to highlight. She took the Gallup StrengthsFinder this past year and found her signature themes to be competition, achiever, WOO, command and significance. Her strong themes that allow her to push forward with drive are balanced with her WOO (winning others over) which has allowed her to establish strong relationships with her students in her field site classroom. One thing is for sure, if Maggie sets her mind to do something, it will be done!

Maggie has been accepted to Texas Tech University to begin her studies in the fall. She will be a very dynamic teacher and coach. Maggie Ward is definitely a student who will make a significant impact on her community when she returns to teach and coach in the Birdville Independent School District.

Sincerely,

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